

ARLINGTON PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINTUES

Approved

April 09, 2024

The Town of Arlington Park and Recreation Commission came to order in the large meeting room at the Community Center on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 7:00pm.

Commission Members: Scott Walker, Phil Lasker, Jen Rothenberg, Leslie Mayer, Josh Fenollosa and Sarah Carrier. Recreation Director Joe Connelly was also present.

Members of the Public: Liz Reisberg

Preliminary Matter: Scott Walker, Park & Recreation Commission Chair, took formal attendance and welcomed members of the public to the Recreation Commission meeting.

Private Preschool/Organization Permitting Discussion

Mr. Connelly reviewed the survey data and the working group recommendations with the Commission.

1. The Director of Recreation works with the individual programs whose scheduling times overlap to come up with an agreed upon schedule.
2. The official permitting process for playground usage begins on September 1, 2024.
3. There will be no fees for playground permits at this time.
4. This permitting process will be reviewed by the Park Commission after the first year of implementation.
5. Organizations wishing to make a donation for playground upkeep and repairs may do so and those funds are to be deposited into the Park Beautification Fund and will be reserved for playground repairs.

The Commission discussed the recommendations. Ms. Carrier asked about the consistency in policy with other private business requests for field usage. Mr. Connelly stated that importance of the permitting process and developing communication channels with the user groups.

Mr. Lasker motioned to approve the recommendations as presented, seconded by Ms. Mayer, approved 4-0.

Arlington/Belmont Crew Agreement

Mr. Connelly reviewed the revised agreement with the Commission. Ms. Mayer motioned to approve the revised agreement, seconded by Mr. Lasker and approved 4-0.

Special Event Requests

Friends of Robbins Farm Park – 5/11, 7/4, 7/25, 8/3, 8/24, 9/7, 11/2

The Commission reviewed the requests from the FORFP. Ms. Rothenberg suggested letting the BOH know when we approve a permit that involves food. Ms. Rothenberg motioned to approve the FORFP requests, seconded by Ms. Mayer and approved 4-0.

3rd Annual String Festival –Jing-Huey – Robbins Farm – 6/15/2024

The Commission reviewed the request had had several questions including why the date change, the number of attendees, and clarification on food for the event. Mr. Connelly will reach out to the applicant for clarification.

The Commission also discussed the need for a police detail for the event due to the estimated attendance being 800.

Correspondence Received

The Commission reviewed the correspondence received.

New Business

- Artificial Turf Committee Update – Mr. Connelly and Ms. Mayer reviewed the final report of the committee with the Commission.
- Open Space Committee – No Report

Public Comment – N/A

Ms. Rothenberg motioned to adjourn at 8:05pm, seconded by Mr. Lasker. Approved 4-0.

The Arlington Park & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes were respectfully submitted by Mr. Joseph Connelly.